



Transportation Planning Grants Fiscal Year 2010-2011

November 18, 2009

9:30-11:00 am

Webinar





Agenda

Time	Topic
9:30 – 9:35	Introductions
9:35 – 9:40	10/11 Overview: Key Dates, BTH delegation
9:40 - 9:55	Application <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Response to District comments• Significant revisions
9:55 – 10:10	CBTP/EJ Revisions
10:10 – 10:15	Partnership Planning/Transit Revisions
10:15 – 10:25	Grant Marketing and Workshops
10:25 - 10:40	Toolbox
10:40 – 10:45	Wrap-up



FY 10-11 Overview

Key Dates

December 1, 2009	Form 360's for CBTP and EJ are due
December 1, 2009	Application Release
March 1, 2010	Partnership Planning/Transit applications due
March 4, 2010	Districts send applications to HQ
April 1, 2010	EJ/CBTP application due date
April 8, 2010	Districts send applications to HQ
July 2, 2010	Target award date



FY 10-11 Overview

Business, Transportation, and Housing Delegation

- Caltrans Director approves grant recipients
- Enables Caltrans to award grants sooner
- More control over schedule



Application Revisions

District Comments and Feedback

- Thank You
- Incorporated and considered as many of the comments as possible



Application Revisions

Different Dates for State and Federal Programs (Page 2)

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED OR RECEIVED AT YOUR
LOCAL CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DISTRICT PLANNING OFFICE BY**

**5:00 PM, MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2010 FOR
PARTNERSHIP PLANNING AND TRANSIT PLANNING**

**5:00 PM, THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2010 FOR
COMMUNITY-BASED TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**



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Blueprint Planning and Sustainable Communities Strategies (Page 4)

Every Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant proposal should be coordinated with the transportation planning efforts taking place under the region's Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) or Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). **Additionally, all applications should be in accord with that region's Blueprint Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SB 375) if applicable.** Regional Blueprints and Sustainable Communities Strategies are tools that will help communities reduce greenhouse gases and will assist transportation agencies in creating enduring communities for residents throughout the entire State.



Application Revisions

Writing to Goals and Objectives

“In addition, Caltrans supports ongoing Regional Blueprint Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS - SB 375) efforts. A competitive grant application would address how the project may help implement a Regional Blueprint or SCS if one exists or is being developed for that location.”



Application Revisions

CBTP Grant Bonus Scoring

For the 2010/2011 CBTP grant cycle, those applications received from local governments participating in the California Department of Housing and Community Development's (HCD) *The Catalyst Projects for Sustainable Strategies Pilot Program*, will receive ten bonus points if the following condition is met:

- The individual application will compete against all applications being evaluated and must score in the top 33 percent. If the application scores in the top 33 percent, ten bonus points will be added to the initial evaluation score. So, if the initial application score is 80 points and falls in the top 33 percent of all scores, ten bonus points will be added, for a total score of 90 points.

For more information on the Catalyst Pilot Program, please contact HCD at (916) 323-3176 or visit their website at <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/>



Application Revisions

Match Requirement (Pages 5 and 6)

All programs use the same language where the local match is concerned.

- CBTP and EJ
 - 10% minimum (in non-federal funds).
- FHWA
 - 20% minimum (in non-federal funds or an in-kind* contribution).
- FTA – 11.47%



Application Revisions

Community-Based Transportation Planning and Environmental Justice Planning Grants

Local Match Calculator

Grant Funds Requested	\$200,000.00	88.89%
Local Match - Cash	\$25,000.00	11.11%
Local Match - In-Kind	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Project Cost	\$225,000.00	100%
<i>Local Match total must be a minimum of 10%</i>		
Total Local Match %		11.11%
<i>In-Kind Match cannot exceed 25% of total match amount</i>		
In-Kind % of Total Local Match		0%



Application Revisions

One Application for all Programs (Page 20)



Fiscal Year 2010-11 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANT APPLICATION

Check One Grant Program

- ☐ Community-Based Transportation Planning
☐ Catalyst Project for Sustainable Strategies Pilot Program
☐ Environmental Justice Planning
☐ Partnership Planning
☐ Statewide or Urban Transit Planning Studies
☐ Rural or Small Urban Transit Planning Studies
☐ Transit Planning Student Internships

PROJECT TITLE

PROJECT LOCATION

(city(ies) and county(ies))

	APPLICANT	SUB-RECIPIENT(S)
Organization		
Executive Director Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/>		
Contact Person and title Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/>		
Mailing Address		
City		
Zip Code		
E-mail Address		
Telephone Number	()	()

FUNDING INFORMATION

Use Match Calculator (<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.htm>) to complete this section

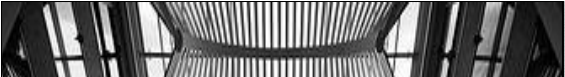
Grant Funds Requested	\$	%
Local Match - Cash	\$	%
Local Match - In-Kind	\$	%
Other Funding	\$	%
Total Project Cost	\$	%
Source of Local Match and Name of Provider		



Application Revisions

Check Boxes for Planning Goals (Pages 21 and 22)






Grant applications must clearly demonstrate how the proposed transportation planning project promotes federal and/or state transportation planning goals.

1. Select the goals that apply and address the selections when completing the application

STATE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GOALS

For all Grant Programs

- ☐ Improve Mobility and Accessibility: Expand the system and enhance modal choices and connectivity to meet the State's future transportation demands.
 - ☐ Preserve the Transportation System: Maintain, manage, and efficiently utilize California's existing transportation system.
 - ☐ Support the Economy: Maintain, manage, and enhance the movement of goods and people to spur the economic development and growth, job creation, and trade.
 - ☐ Enhance Public Safety and Security: Ensure the safety and security of people, goods, services, and information in all modes of transportation.
 - ☐ Reflect Community Values: Find transportation solutions that balance and integrate community values with transportation safety and performance, and encourage public involvement in transportation decisions.
 - ☐ Enhance the Environment: Plan and provide transportation services while protecting our environment, wildlife, historical and cultural assets.
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REGIONAL BLUEPRINT AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES GOALS

For Community-Based Transportation Planning and Environmental Justice Planning

- ☐ Complements or advances the Region's Blueprint Planning efforts
- ☐ Advances a community's efforts to reduce greenhouse gases and will assist transportation agencies in creating enduring communities.

FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GOALS

For Partnership Planning and Transit Planning

- ☐ Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency
- ☐ Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users
- ☐ Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users
- ☐ Increase accessibility and mobility of people and freight
- ☐ Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and State and local planned growth and economic development patterns
- ☐ Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight
- ☐ Promote efficient system management and operation
- ☐ Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system



Application Revisions

CBTP and EJ Funding Available

The funding available is about the same as last grant cycle:

- \$3 million for Community Based Transportation Planning
- \$3 million for Environmental Justice Planning



Application Revisions

New Program Names for Transit Planning (FTA 5304)

- Statewide Transit Planning Studies changed to Statewide or Urban Transit Planning Studies
- Transit Technical Planning Assistance changed to Rural or Small Urban Transit Planning Studies
- Transit Professional Development changed to Transit Planning Student Internships



Application Revisions

Funding Available

The funding available is about the same as last grant cycle:

- \$1 million for Partnership Planning
- \$1.4 million for Statewide or Urban Transit Planning Studies
- \$700 thousand for Rural or Small Urban Transit Planning Studies
- \$150 thousand for Transit Planning Student Internships



Application Revisions

Evaluation Process

Performance Counts!

- Communication
- Quarterly Progress Reports
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Utilization Reports

District Seniors, Please Note: Ensure that Quarterly Progress Reports are submitted, and forwarded to Headquarters, for the existing Partnership Planning and Transit Planning grant projects. The work performed during the first two quarters of FY 09/10 will be used to determine the performance of any repeat applicants.



Grant Marketing

Marketing the Grant

Some Methods

- Electronic Post Cards
- Community Events
- Local Newsletters and Newspapers
- Community Partners
- Caltrans Events
- WebPages and "Grant" Databases
- Workshops (Webinar/Face to Face)
- Word of Mouth

Keep us in the Loop

- Contact us for technical assistance
- Provide us with plans, schedule and itinerary



Toolbox

Internet Toolbox

http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ocp/ej_cbtptoolbox.html

Intranet Toolbox

http://onramp.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ocp/ej_cbtptoolbox.html



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Q & A

Thank you!